

REPLY TO ATTENTION OF

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Regulatory Division South Permits Branch

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Dear Interested Party:

The purpose of this letter is to forward the enclosed copy of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District, Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare a Draft Supplement Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) for a Department of Army Permit application to Nourish Phipps Beach. The project, Phipps Ocean Park Beach Restoration, is located in the Atlantic Ocean from DNR monument R-116 to R-126, in Sections 11, 14, and 23, Township 44 south, Range 43 east, in the Town of Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida. This NOI was published in the Federal Register on August 28, 2001, Vol. 66, No. 167, page 45291.

The NOI includes a summary of the proposed project description, alternatives and issues to be considered, involvement of other agencies, an estimated date for the SEIS to be available to the public, and the point of contact for comments. At this time, we are hoping you will provide us with your input as part of the scoping process. We request that you forward your written comments to us, at the letterhead address within 30 days for the date of the notice.

If you have any questions or comments, feel free to contact Mr. Brice McKoy at the letterhead address, by electronic mail at peter.b.mckoy@saj02.usace.army.mil, by fax at 561-683-4941, or by telephone at 561-683-0792.

Chief, Regulatory Division

Enclosure